

who was struck by a P. D. & E. Last Monday Afternoon Died of His Injuries Today.

White, the colored man who was struck by a train on Monday afternoon at 1:45 o'clock on the East Clay street crossing, died of his injuries at 1:45 o'clock today. The accident which occurred at the Wood street crossing of the Illinois Central tracks, crossed the railroad in the rain and the approaching P. D. & E. train was badly fractured. Dr. J. H. Jones who attended him thought that he would live through but he remained in an unconscious condition for four days before he died. The immediate cause of his death was a hemorrhage of the brain. A blood clot settled on the brain and paralyzed him but his respiratory organs were not affected and for this reason he was able to breathe. There had been hopes of the man's recovery from and it was not thought possible he could live as long as he did. He was 51 years old and leaves a wife and seven children. He was well known in the city and was well respected. Dr. J. H. Jones was notified of the death and will probably hold an inquest.

ARMY AND THE JURY.

Declaring the City Ordinance and-Salvation People Will Have to Keep Moving.

Prosecution of the sixteen members of the Salvation Army for obstructing the city streets in violation of the ordinance was not concluded in Judge Edmond's court until after 9 o'clock last night when the jury brought in a verdict of guilty as charged in the indictment. The verdict was a fine of \$1 and costs. The verdict was satisfactory to the city representatives who had made the fight that the ordinance was good and that the accused were guilty. The defendants did not object to the verdict. The defendants were a large crowd at the foot of the city hall waiting for the verdict and it was announced various opinions were exchanged. The defendants did not object to the verdict. The defendants were a large crowd at the foot of the city hall waiting for the verdict and it was announced various opinions were exchanged. The defendants did not object to the verdict. The defendants were a large crowd at the foot of the city hall waiting for the verdict and it was announced various opinions were exchanged.

Riverside Park. The Mark E. Swan Stock company who will open at the above park on Monday, is playing practically for nothing. It must be thought that the entertainment will be inferior or at least a high grade of amusing plays with up-to-date specialties will be presented and an excellent company will be engaged. Special attention will be given to the stage settings, and nothing will be spared to make the pavilion the place of amusement in the vicinity of the park. Refreshments will be served at each performance and in fact, everything that can be done to insure the success of the patrons. Manager Ferguson will have the one object in view, "To please the public." One point on the management wants to impress on the public's mind, is that all the plays and specialties presented during the engagement of this company, will be first class, every respect, and suitable to the most refined patrons. Special attention also will be given to children patronizing the pavilion.

Will of Dr. McConnell. The last will of the late Dr. W. S. McConnell, of Blue Mound, executed in 1896, was filed for probate today in county court. The estate consists of real estate of land and personal property valued at \$900. The property is left to the widow for life and at her death to go to the three children. The widow is named as the executrix. The witnesses are Shoemaker and Francis Knapp.

Boys vs. Kites. You want a good kite and your mother wants a sack of good flour and we can satisfy both wants. How? Have your mother order a 50-pound sack of White Lion or Blue Mound flour and then you bring an empty sack in good order and we will give you in exchange a steel frame kite, a daisy, Shellaburger Mill and Elmer Co.—11-48

Base Ball Games. At the Association park this afternoon the doctors and the dentists played a game of base ball. There will be no admission fee and everyone is invited to attend. The game will be a good one. The members of the High school ball team went to Blue Mound today to play the Spiders of that place.

This evening the work of laying the concrete walk around the transfer station will be completed. The men say they will finish the job today if they have work after sun down.

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TALK AT ST. LOUIS.

While the Minority Leaders Chat-
ter the National Committee is
Hard at Work.

MANLEY SAYS IT IS M'KINLEY.

Gains for the Major in the Contests—
Platt on Deck and Does Some
Talking—General
Gossip.

St. Louis, June 12.—It is probable that the national league of Republican clubs will have something to say about vice presidential candidates. P. E. McAlpin, New York, president of the league, and adjutant general on Governor Morton's staff, is considered an available man. Ex-Governor D. R. Brown, of Rhode Island is a member of the league and his friends urge him for the place. Governor Morton, New York, seems to be the choice of the national committee and they have reason to believe he could have the nomination if he would take it. Friends of G. A. Hobart, of New Jersey, claim that Quay is committed to him, but Quay is going forward Governor Hastings, of Pennsylvania. H. Clay Evans, of Tennessee, is having a decided boom for second place, but it is said he has other plans which make his acceptance impossible. Another candidate for second place is M. H. DeYoung, of California, who is a strong favorite among the silver men.

Platt Talks of a Bolt. Reports are circulated that T. C. Platt has declared his intention to bolt the convention if the six contesting delegates from New York are seated. It is learned from members of the national committee that the six Platt men will in all probability be thrown out and the contestants placed on the temporary roll. Mr. Hanna declined to discuss the matter. He said: "I shall not get excited over this even if Platt says it." One of Platt's friends said Platt's position was in case six regularly elected delegates are unseated, sixty more delegates would walk out of the convention. Others of the New York delegation controvert this and say twenty-five to thirty delegates from New York are ardent McKinley men, cannot be expected to follow Platt in such a move. Members of the national committee think the talk of the New York bolt is wholly for the purpose of influencing the contests yet to be decided.

In an Associated Press reporter Platt said he had not spoken particularly of contested New York delegates, but on the whole proceeding in the committee. They are riding rough shod over everything," he said. "The question of a man's title to seat is not considered on its merits, but as to his position on the presidential candidate. Hahn, member of committee from Ohio, declared "the only question involved in these contests is whether or not a man was for McKinley, and that line of policy is what New York objects to." Platt says Morton's name will be presented to the convention. He does not think Manley's statement makes an appreciable difference in the situation. He has a dispatch from Reed saying Manley's utterance was wholly unauthorized. He is interested in having a gold standard plank in the platform. "From all I have heard," said Platt, "I think the convention will take that course. It seems to be the demand that cannot be denied, a firm declaration for a gold standard. The silver men will not be satisfied with any kind of a substitute and there should be no attempt to have anything but a straight gold declaration."

National Committee at Work. The national committee resumed its session this morning. The time for the presentation of cases of claimants in contests was reduced from fifteen minutes to ten in order to hasten the completion of the work. Notice was given of the withdrawal of contest in the Eighth Virginia district. This gives the district to McKinley. The Lynch delegates in the Sixth Mississippi district, friendly to McKinley, were seated.

In the Seventh Mississippi district both delegates for McKinley. The Hill men were seated.

In the Third Alabama district McKinley men were seated. A recess was taken.

FEEL LITTLE FEAR OF A BOLT.

Protection More Important to Mountain States than Silver.

St. Louis, Mo., June 12.—There is a growing belief that the extreme silver men are not going to be successful in their effort to bring about a bolt of sufficient dimensions to prove formidable. It is now predicted that when they have exhausted all their threats and arguments they will submit as gracefully as possible

to the will of the majority. They will inform their clamoring constituents that they did all that was possible for them to do. The only delegation whose leader has inflexible prejudices in favor of silver is the one from Colorado. Senator Teller's admirers expect him to get up and walk out of the convention hall when he learns that a sound money plank will be one of the fundamental principles of the Republican platform. Senator Teller, however, is too sensible a man and too astute a politician to do anything so rash. The Coloradans are making what, in the parlance of some of the citizens of their own mountain districts, would be termed a bluff, pure and simple. The plans of the silver men were thoroughly discussed at the Southern by a number of western delegates, and the foregoing is a synopsis of the conclusions reached.

It is a mistake to suppose that the delegates from the west are in favor of the unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to 1. The state of Washington, for example, has eight delegates, and among them there is only one who would put a free silver plank in the platform if he were absolute, and could control the convention. Harry L. Wilson, delegate from Eastern Washington, and a brother of Senator John L. Wilson, is the only silver man on the delegation. He admits that the talk of leaving the party is merely rabid utterances by those who do not expect to carry out what they threaten.

Many of the citizens of the western states want free silver, but they want a protective tariff more than they do free coinage. The last four years' experience has taught the west some lessons.

Trumbo, of Utah, insists that the convention must declare positively one way or the other.

"If we are beaten in our fight for silver," said he, "we will cast every one of our votes with the east for gold. These fellows have got to come out of the woods and show just where they are."

"Will you be able to force the gold standard?"

"I think we will. It would get more votes than a straddle, and wouldn't look cowardly."

"How about a bolt?"

"Well, if there is not a bolt in the convention there will be at the polls, and it doesn't make much difference where it occurs. It is impossible to tell yet what will be done, but you can look out for trouble."

Fairbanks Will Preside.

The national Republican committee has decided to proceed to the selection of temporary officers for the national convention, including chairman, at 9 o'clock on Saturday. It has been practically decided by a majority of the committee that Hon. Charles W. Fairbanks shall be given the place of temporary chairman, and a telegram has been sent him notifying him of the probability of his selection. It has also been suggested to Mr. Fairbanks that he deal most exclusively with the financial question in his opening speech. It is understood that he will acquiesce in this suggestion and that he will take a strong position for an unequivocal declaration for the preservation of the present financial standard. There is now strong probability that Senator Thurston will be permanent chairman.

The Financial Plank. There are hundreds of forms of financial planks for the Republican national platform at the McKinley headquarters in St. Louis and in the hands of McKinley's friends who will largely determine what the platform shall be. More than a week ago there was sent out to the papers various forms of a financial plank and intimations made that it was a form of declaration which was wanted. This was done for the purpose of securing views and financial planks from all sections and from people interested in the character of the financial resolution.

The result has been as anticipated and platforms have been coming in by letter and by telegram from every part of the country. The McKinley managers have not only been able to obtain forms for financial planks, but they have also been able to secure the views of men all over the country whose opinions are worth having. The more the matter is considered the more probable it appears that the national platform will conform very close to that of the Indiana convention, with all reference to a ratio stricken out.

The Indiana platform declares against the free and unlimited coinage of silver "at a ratio of 16 to 1." It is proposed to cut off the sentence quoted and add with a straight declaration against free coinage. It is asserted by the gold men that if the declaration is against free coinage "at a ratio of 16 to 1" it will give opportunity to say that there is no declaration against 15½ or 18½ to 1, or to any other ratio than that designated in the platform.

The insistence is strong that there shall be no chance to declare the platform is a catch, or that it means anything more than what it says, or that it can be construed in one part of the country for silver and in another section against silver. It is quite apparent that there is a determined community in Livingston county.

gle gold standard, but there is a desire to avoid a declaration emphatic in these words as it is believed that it would be offensive to some sections of the country and particularly several states in the Mississippi valley.

M'KINLEY ON THE FIRST BALLOT.

This is the Way Mr. Manley Puts the Presidential Fight.

Boston, Mass., June 12.—The Journal published today the following dispatch from St. Louis:

"I would vote for Mr. Reed if I stood alone simply because I believe he is the best representative of the party in the country—the strongest and ablest man that we have in public life today."

"I hope his friends will stand by him in the convention. His name will be presented to the convention by Senator Lodge."

"The vote in the national committee yesterday afternoon was so overwhelmingly for Governor McKinley that it settles his nomination on the first ballot. It is useless to deny this; it is conceded on all hands. J. H. Manley."

Reed and His Washington Friends. Washington, June 12.—The friends of Speaker Reed say, notwithstanding Manley's statements, Reed will continue in the fight till the last. All day yesterday, last night and this morning he has been in telegraphic communication with friends at St. Louis. They assure him that they will stick to him. The speaker's intimate friends say Manley's course besides affecting the speaker's canvass, will demoralize the fight to be made for a straight gold platform under the leadership of Reed's lieutenant, Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, who is to be on the committee on resolutions and make the money plank fight in the committee before the convention. Reed leaves for New York on Sunday. Senator Allison will start for Iowa tomorrow.

All Solid for Reed.

Portland, Me., June 12.—The Reed Republican club of Maine left for St. Louis this afternoon, cheered on by a big crowd. "No surrender," was the cry. The delegates are unanimous for Reed for president and nothing else.

VILAS MAY VOTE FOR M'KINLEY.

Wisconsin Senator Will Not Support a Free Silver Man.

Madison, Wis., June 12.—To friends since his arrival in the city Senator William F. Vilas has announced that if the Democratic party declares for the free coinage of silver at the Chicago convention he may cast his ballot for Major McKinley for president. He also confirms the report that in case of a bolt for silver by the Democrats President Cleveland will desert the party for this year and vote for Mr. McKinley.

CHANCE FOR DECATUR

To Get In the Western Ball Association—Quincy Out.

Burlington, Iowa, June 12.—An important meeting of the Western association was held here yesterday. Quincy, it is said, will be dropped after next week unless great improvement is shown in every way. Leavenworth, Sioux City and Decatur all stand a good chance of getting the franchise if Quincy is dropped. E. M. Wesner, of Burlington, was elected president of the association in place of George W. Brackett. The St. Joseph-Moines protested game was declared no game. Peoria-Des Moines game was awarded to Peoria. All cities except Rockford sent a full delegation.

Illinois Boasts a Snake Story.

Tolono, Ill., June 12.—Carl Smithson, a farmer residing near the quaker church, seven miles southeast of Tolono, Saturday heard a small Jersey calf in his barn making a very peculiar noise. Hastening to its stall, he found the calf lying down and one of its hind legs swallowed as far up as the knee by a monster snake. Smithson ran for help, but when he returned with some neighbors the snake had disappeared. The serpent has been seen by several persons in the neighborhood. It is fifteen or eighteen feet long and as large around as a beer keg. A company of armed men will make a thorough search for the giant reptile Saturday.

Blacklisting to Stop.

Albuquerque, N. M., June 12.—Judge Collier, of the federal court, has issued an order forbidding the receiver for the Atlantic and Pacific railway from blacklisting members of the American Railway Union.

Life at a Colorado Dance.

Lake City, Col., June 12.—At a dance hall last night Jessie Landers fired at Frank McDonald, of whom she is jealous and missed him, killing Louis Estep. Then she fatally shot herself.

Tragedy at Chillicothe.

Chillicothe, Ohio, June 12.—Thomas White, after a quarrel with Edith McKelvey, his sweetheart, shot her fatally and then killed himself both; young, favorably known.

Roosters is the name of a newly baptized community in Livingston county.

COAL MINE ON FIRE.

A Calamity at the Town of Taylorville—Loss, \$75,000.*

EIGHTY MEN ESCAPED FROM FLAMES.

The Buildings and Machinery Ruined and Fears that the Mine is Doomed to Destruction.

Taylorville, June 12.—Special.—The buildings of the Taylorville Coal Mining company caught fire in some unknown manner at 9 o'clock this morning, and now all of the property above ground is a mass of ruins.

The offices, the engines house and the hoisting platforms with the chutes are destroyed, and what is worse than anything else, the shaft is on fire and is rapidly burning to the bottom, 500 feet below in the body of the mine.

For hours the firemen have been laboring heroically to prevent the flames from extending to the mine. If the coal takes fire there will be no hope for the valuable property.

It is just learned that the fire started in some unaccountable manner in the shaft, thirty feet below the top, and burned fiercely. Manager Somers when he discovered the fire reversed the fan so that eighty men at work in the mine would not be suffocated by the dense column of smoke. All of the men got out of the mine safely through the escape shaft.

The entire population is gathered about the coal mine.

All are working valiantly to extinguish the flames in the shaft.

The loss is now placed at \$75,000, which does not include the loss of business to the company.

TIES IN FIREMEN'S CONTESTS.

Grinnell and Harlan, Ind., Struggle for State Championship.

Marshalltown, Iowa, June 12.—At the state firemen's tournament yesterday afternoon the results were:

Hose race, five entries—Nevada won, 42 2-5; Missouri Valley second, 42 3-5; Malvern third, 43.

First race for state championship, ten entries—Grinnell and Harlan tied for first place in 40 flat; Corning second, 41 1-5; Marshalltown third, 42 1-5. Tie will be run off.

Forty class hose race, six entries—Harlan and Marshalltown tied for first in 41; Grinnell, 41 1-5; Corning and Laporte, 42.

Novelty hose race, three entries—Corning first, 35 1-5; Malvern second, 36 4-5.

Died a Pauper.

Anderson, Ind., June 12.—Charles Sargent, a pauper, died at St. Mary's hospital suddenly yesterday after being confined for some time with consumption. Fifteen years ago Sargent was one of the wealthiest young men in Cincinnati, Ohio. He is known all along the Ohio and Mississippi to New Orleans as one of the most lavish and generous men with his money that ever chartered special boats and took parties to New Orleans for three and four weeks as his guests. One of his closest friends and the last one to visit him was Captain Ewing, of the Cincinnati ball club, who heard he was here. When his money gave out he shut the door on the past, came to Anderson and lived an obscure life.

Investigating Shelby County Books.

Pana, Ill., June 12.—The Shelby county supervisors' committee elected to investigate the books of all the county officials since 1880, together with a corps of expert accountants, began the work yesterday. The books of ex-Superintendent of Schools M. Barbee are the first to be examined. It will require several months to complete the investigation, which is being conducted behind closed doors. For several years there have been rumors of crookedness on the part of the county officials. Two years ago a mysterious fire in the court house destroyed many of the officials' books and important papers.

Gov. Hastings on the Way.

Harrisburg, Pa., June 12.—Governor Hastings and party left at noon for St. Louis. His friends believe he has a good chance for the vice presidential nomination.

Deadly Sunstroke.

Bombay, June 12.—The British cruiser Bonaventure, flagship of the East Indian squadron, lost seventy men by sunstroke in a voyage from Colombo to Pomberry.

SHOT WIFE AND HER COMPANION

Texas Postmaster the Victim of a Jealous Husband's Wrath.

Houston, Texas, June 12.—Archibald Hall walked into the parlor of the Globe hotel yesterday afternoon and shot his wife, inflicting what is likely to prove a fatal wound, and then shot her companion, C. T. Darby, postmaster and merchant at Conroe, Montgomery county. The latter left for his home last night, his wound not being serious. The bullet which struck the woman entered the right cheek and passed back of the neck. The bullet which struck Darby entered the right breast, high up, and lodged in the body. Hall was arrested and is now in custody. He claims that Darby had written letters to his wife, which he (Hall) now has in his possession, clearly showing an intimacy, and says the meeting of Darby and his wife yesterday at the Globe hotel was not an accident. Darby says he came to Houston on business, and by mere accident met Mrs. Hall as she passed the hotel. She stopped to ask him about some Conroe friends, and walked in and sat down in the parlor. He was standing up talking when he heard a shot and Mrs. Hall fell. He turned and received a bullet from the pistol, and then ran out. Mrs. Hall formerly lived at Conroe. There is very likely to be further trouble.

SOUND MONEY DEMOCRATS.

Chairman C. A. Ewing, of Decatur, Organized a Club at Springfield.

Springfield, Ill., June 12.—Hon. Charles A. Ewing, of Decatur, chairman of the executive committee of the sound money Democracy of the state of Illinois, came over from Decatur last evening and a club of sound money Democrats was formed, and officers elected. Ex-Senator Lloyd F. Hamilton was chosen president; George Judd, vice president, and Edward Ridgely secretary. The officers were authorized to appoint other officers as they saw fit. A platform was adopted, which declares the belief of the signers that a 16 to 1 silver coinage, without regard to commercial value, would reduce the currency to a free silver standard. A large number signed the roll, and it is predicted that 100 signers will be obtained within a few days.

Lowering St. Louis Bridge Tolls.

Washington, June 12.—Congressman Joy introduced in the house a bill amending the charter of the Eads bridge company, and also, a bill amending the charter of the Merchants' Bridge company. The bills, which are exactly similar, provide that the maximum tolls on both bridges shall be the same as were specified in the Murphy bill for a third bridge. In case the corporation owning or controlling the bridge shall operate a street car line, or permit any street car company to operate a street car line on the bridge and approach, the fare for a single passenger over the bridge for persons over 5 years of age shall not exceed 5 cents.

Free Masons Burned Alive.

Mexico City, Mex., June 12.—It is reported that in the Indian revolt in Oaxaca Free Masons were attacked, particularly at Juquila, where the Indians committed fearful atrocities, burning prominent Masons alive. This has been denied, but the news is confirmed. Masons from Juquila solicited aid for the families of the victims, and will interview President Diaz, himself a Mason. Among the victims were Octaviano Jignon, master of the lodge; Juan Escamilla, senior warden; Carlos A. Morales, orator, and Jose Villavicencia, treasurer.

Killed by a Thrown Ball.

Bloomington, Ind., June 12.—Jackson Sheridan, a member of the Indiana University ball team and one of the best known students, was umpiring a game between the fraternities yesterday when a ball from the third baseman struck him on the temple. He was carried from the field unconscious, but soon rallied, and until an hour before his death it was thought he would recover. His home was at Lebanon, Ind.

Weather This Afternoon and Saturday.

Chicago, June 12.—Illinois: Fair tonight and Saturday; warmer Saturday; fresh westerly winds.

Iowa: Fair tonight and Saturday; warmer Saturday; westerly winds.

South Dakota: Fair tonight and Saturday; warmer tonight; warmer east Saturday; variable winds shifting to southwesterly.

Wedding Succeeds a Divorce.

Hillsboro, Ill., June 12.—In the Montgomery county circuit court here yesterday Mrs. Sarah Voyles obtained a divorce from her husband, Marshall Voyles, and within an hour was married to James Stever. This is her third matrimonial venture.

Jumped to His Death.

Pittsburg, Pa., June 12.—A fire in a tenement house early this morning resulted in the death of Mrs. Garbels, aged 74, by jumping from a window, and Frank Garbels, aged 4, by suffocation. Two other members of the family were badly burned.

THE UGLY DUCKLING

Some of Mrs. Leslie Carter's Pointed Letters to Belasco.

MR. FAIRBANKS WAS GENEROUS

To the Chicago Actress, and Now He is Getting Plenty of Notoriety in the Courts.

New York, June 12.—Attorney Charles L. Allen was the principal witness in the suit of David Belasco against N. M. Fairbank to recover \$65,000 for services in training Mrs. Leslie Carter for the stage. In many essential particulars Allen contradicted Belasco's testimony. He produced several letters which Mrs. Carter had sent to him asking him to use his influence with "Mr. F." to advance money in order that her theatrical enterprise might not fail when, according to her belief, success was almost within her grasp. These letters asserted no claim. Mrs. Carter also wrote that Belasco's requests for money were in her behalf.

"I require," she wrote in one of those letters, "eight dresses and three wraps for the plays. It will take \$8,000 if I get them in Europe, and more if I get them here."

In the same letter Mrs. Carter said: "If you wish—I mean, if Mr. Fairbank wishes—I will come and bring all my contracts and show them. Oh, I only beg him to loan me a little more money to help me through! I have no way to borrow, and I don't know any one to ask." In another letter Mrs. Carter wrote of Belasco:

"He has helped me without asking pay; he has given me my play, his time, my instructions—he has given up other things to put me through; he has given me his personal influence; he will produce my play; he will answer for my success; he stands sponsor for me on my first night and before the entire public, and he does it all without asking pay, ready to wait until I am started for his remuneration—and he did this all on Mr. Fairbank's promise to see me through." Before Mr. Allen's examination was finished he left the witness stand in order that J. J. Horrick, one of Fairbank's Chicago legal advisers, might testify and be relieved of the necessity of further attendance in court. He told of Fairbank's business relations with the Carter theatrical enterprise and of his guaranty of \$10,000. He related that in the course of an interview between Mrs. Carter, Belasco and Fairbank, Belasco had in effect threatened Fairbank with unpleasant publicity regarding his backing of the project. Ultimately Fairbank had consented to make another advance upon condition that it be the last, the assurance being given that his name should not be mentioned as backer of the enterprise.

Sales of Real Estate.

Peter J. Costello to Anna F. Currier, lots 15, 16 and 17 in Carr's Second addition to Argenta; lot 25, lot off of the south side of lot 8 in block 7 in Carr's Third addition to Argenta, \$1.

Caroline M. Powers to Harry English, lot 2 in block 8 in Powers' Fourth addition to Decatur, \$850.

Elizabeth Odor to Frank L. Hoffman, 1 foot off of the north side of lot 2 in block 1 in John Williams' addition to Decatur, \$1,000.

Penelope Montgomery to Frank Curtis, 90 feet off of the west end of lot 1 in block 1, city of Decatur; also lot 9 in block 1 in J. F. Montgomery's addition to Decatur, \$1.

P. J. Costello to Anna F. Currier, the south half of lot 16 in block 1 in May Bros. & Travers' addition to Decatur, \$1.

The Dog and Pony Show.

The success of the Andrews & Showers' imperial dog and pony show in Decatur has been so great that the management have concluded to remain here until Saturday night. The tents at the corner of West Eldorado and College streets were crowded last night, after everybody witnessed the splendid balloon ascension and parachute drop by J. S. Jacobs, who is the idol of the small boy and the wonder of the big folks. The show will continue tonight and tomorrow night.

Slugged.

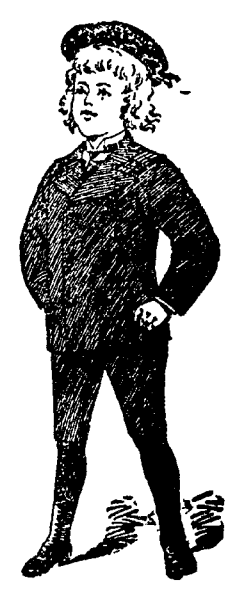
In a restaurant on Prairie street today at noon two men named Smith had a row. The Indianapolis Smith struck the Maroa Smith so vigorously that the latter measured his length on the floor and then the Hoosier was taken to jail and locked up as a character too stout and dangerous to be at large.

Rev. A. W. Hawkins will speak Sunday night in the W. C. T. U. hall on the moral side of the St. Louis cyclone.

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CLASS DAY.

Twenty-Ninth Commencement Exercises of the Decatur High School.

EIGHTY IN THE CLASS OF '96.

The Graduates, Faculty, and School Board Fill the Stage—Grand Crowd to the Doors.

The Class Poem, Class Prophecy and Synopses of the Oration, History and Essays—Full Names of all Graduates—Alumni To-Night—Notes and Comments.

The twenty-ninth commencement exercises of the Decatur High school were held this morning at Powers' Grand opera house, and were largely attended by the relatives and friends of the graduates. Every seat in the house was occupied and many stood in the aisles.

The class of '96 is composed of eighty boys and girls and is the largest that has ever graduated from the school since its organization, in fact it is the largest class ever graduated from any school in the state.

The opera house was beautifully decorated for the occasion. On each side of the stage there were large bands of palms and plants, and the motto, "En Avant" in letters of gold and white extended across the upper part of the proscenium. The fair graduates in their white gowns, the handsome young men and the profusion of flowers all went toward making the stage a picture which was pleasing to look upon. Besides the graduating class the following members of the board of education were seated on the stage. Superintendent E. A. Gastman, J. F. Roach, D. S. Shellabarger and Mrs. Mary Haworth. Behind the board were seated Rev. W. H. Penhalligon, Rev. J. C. Rapp, Rev. D. F. Hgwe, Rev. W. C. Miller and Rev. D. R. MacGregor. Prof. Sheppard and the teachers of the school were also on the stage.

THE EXERCISES.

The exercises opened with music by the mandolin club after which the invocation was pronounced by Rev. Miller. The following was the program as it was observed:

Programme.
March, "King Cotton." Sousa—Mandolin Club.
Invocation—Rev. W. C. Miller.
Song, "Ninety-Six"—By the Class.
Salutatory and Oration, "Diverted Talents"—Charles Dean Cool.
Piano Solo, "Valse Brillante," Moszkowski—Lillian Mary Stout.
Class History—James Benjamin Parish.
Vocal Solo, "The Mistletoe Boy," Harry Rowe Shelley—George Webster Dunston.
Class Oration, "The Age of Electricity"—Gus Hugh Johnson.
Class Prophecy—Jennie Grace Badenhausen.
Piano Solo, "Air de Ballet" Chaminade—Laura Jeannette Tullis.
Class Poem—Mary Bell Bivans.
Oration and Valedictory, "Illinois and the Nation"—Adella Nelson Bishop.
(a) Overture, "Flora," Schlegelgrell; (b) Medley, "Old Friends," arr. by Westhoff—High School Orchestra.
Awarding Diplomas.
Song, "Goodbye, Old High School"—By the Class.
Benediction—Rev. D. F. Howe.

The musical numbers rendered were especially fine. Miss Stout and Miss Tullis both played excellently on the piano and exhibited wonderful musical talent. The numbers by the High school orchestra and the mandolin club were splendidly given and the vocal solo by George Dunston entitled "The Mistletoe Boy," was greatly applauded by the audience. All of the addresses that were given were excellent and the young people proved themselves orators indeed.

The Salutatory address was given by Dean Cool. In his opening remarks he welcomed the visitors to the twenty-ninth annual commencement exercises of the Decatur High School. He mentioned the fact that all over the land commencement exercises were being held and classes were welcoming to their exercises the citizens of their cities. Of all of these none had more reason to extend to the townspeople a hearty welcome than the graduating class of the high school, on account of the kindness that has been shown. He said: "Four long and happy years we have attended the glorious high school with which your bounty has provided us. When the class of '96 entered it a large addition had just been completed with in itself made it a building indeed worthy of note, but as we turn away from it we leave behind a building nearly twice as large as the one we found on entering. Not only has the building increased but this year's class outnumbers that of last year, large as it was. And if the salutatorian of last year told you that her class was the largest ever graduated in the state outside of Chicago the salutatorian of the class of '96 takes pleasure in telling you that the same holds true with his class. We feel that we owe to you a great debt for you have given us a priceless gift that of our education, and we feel that we can repay you for this only by living honest and upright lives that will reflect honor upon you and upon us. And

to repay this debt we trust shall be the life work of us all.

After his Salutatory remarks, Mr. Cool gave an oration on the subject "Diverted Talents." He spoke of the impressions received when looking on Niagara Falls and of the feeling of satisfaction experienced when it was known that not all of the power of the falls was going to waste but was being used to turn machinery. But everyday about us there are losses of power as great as those which took place at Niagara, which if utilized could do the world much good. These losses of power are in the intellectual and mental rather than the mechanical and physical. Few pause to consider for an instant these immense losses; though they take place in ourselves few of us think of turning the power to any account. Diverted talents are visible in every class of society, among the poor and rich, among those gifted with many talents and among those gifted with a few. The speaker said that there were instances of persons who had the power to move the world, and who had either misused the talents or left them altogether idle. Lord Byron was cited as an example of this class. His name is handed down in history more as what it might have been than for what it was. The best of his writings exhibited a master genius which if used to the best advantage might have produced works which could have surpassed by none. He himself realized that he had accomplished nothing and that his life had been a failure. It is sometimes said that boys and girls who are bright in their studies at the high school are not the ones who are great successes at college. The speaker gave this reason: The studies at the high school are of such a character that they can be grasped easily by the bright minds without much application. The college studies are more difficult and as the students have not trained themselves to hard work they do not make a success. Continuing on the subject Mr. Cool said: "Talent as I understand it is adaptability for anything. Thus a talent for literature is adaptability for literature. Talent, however great, will accomplish nothing without energy and application. Nothing is so well adapted to the rapid transportation of human beings as the steam locomotive of today, yet take away the fire from the furnace and the water from the boiler and the powerful locomotive is useless. A great many people seem to think that the men of genius in this world of ours who have achieved great fame have not had to work or apply themselves but have simply left their talents to do it all for them. Nothing could be farther from the truth than this impression. Napoleon, who was perhaps the most masterly genius in war that the world has ever seen is an excellent proof of the fallacy of this idea. His life was one of continued worry and hard work. He was the very embodiment of energy, application and action. And it was these very qualities, as much as anything else which made him famous and will continue to do so as long as the world shall stand. Every day in our walks of life we meet people who possess genius of as high order as Napoleon. The ragged tramp, the pauper, the ruined spendthrift, may for all we know, once have possessed as great intellect as Bonaparte. But Napoleon put forth all his efforts in making use of his talents and the tramp, the pauper and the spendthrift allowed theirs to be unused. Success crowned the efforts of Napoleon, failure marked the others.

"But it is not alone those whose talents are great who allow them to be diverted but also those whose talents are moderate or even small. How often in our school do we see pupils giving up in despair. They have not learned that a little talent and a great deal of energy will accomplish wonders, will almost accomplish the impossible." The speaker mentioned Washington as a man who developed his every talent and made the best of them and in this connection said: "Energy, action and self-sacrifice characterized his life, and note the result, a name that will be lauded to the skies as long as the Stars and Stripes shall float triumphant in the breeze, the eternal exponent of the doctrine of liberty, a fame that reaches out beyond the limits of our country, clear to the benighted lands of Europe and cheers and inspires the heart sick one toiling under the iron heel of oppression and tyranny. When we who are endowed with only a few talents are discouraged and downcast, when we seem to be moving toward success at only a snail's pace, when we are about to give up in despair let us look toward Washington, see what he accomplished, behold the glorious victories of him who was one of us in that his talents were only moderate, let us look at him and taking heart press onward and upward to the great and glorious victory that awaits all those who do their best." Reubenstein, the great Russian composer, was mentioned as another of those who rose to great fame with only moderate talents.

Continuing his address, Mr. Cool said that it was not to be supposed that these talents that are unused are the only ones that are diverted. A talent made use of for an improper purpose is diverted fully as much as one which is not used at all. An unused talent was compared to an unloaded gun, it could do no one any harm or any good. But take the gun and load it and place it in the hands of one that will use it right and much can be accomplished with its aid. Put it in the hands of an assassin and much harm can be wrought. A man who allows his talents to lie idle is a hindrance to the world's

progress but how much greater a hindrance is he who uses his talents for a wrong purpose. In the prisons of the land and out of them there are criminals whose skill in their illegal business is simply marvelous and would make them as famous in the honest walks of life as they are infamous in their dishonest lives. A counterfeiter who could imitate paper money so skillfully with his pen that it could not be detected was mentioned as an example of this class. Such a man would have made his name famous by following some honest pursuit. In closing the valedictory spoke as follows: "But criminals are not the only persons in the world whose wrongfully directed talents have made them dangerous to society. Among the political bosses of our country, those untiring enemies of good government, there are men who possess talents of a very high order. Take Thomas Platt for example. It is said that his talent for organizing men is simply marvelous. Used in the right direction this talent would make him a very efficient cooperator for his country's good but put to the use to which it has been put it is a very powerful hindrance to her best interests. No one can estimate the good which he could have done had he chosen the right instead of the wrong path.

"The world's full development depends upon the full development of the talents of everyone of us. While the talents of any one of us even the least, are left undeveloped or are used in the wrong direction the world cannot attain its highest advancement. Shall we further the world's progress or shall we hinder it?"

The Class History.

The history of the class of 1896 was given by James Parish. He began his address by telling of the first impressions and sensations of the members of the class when they entered upon their duties as students of the Decatur High School on September 8, 1892, and traced the history of the doings down to the present time. The class numbered 162 boys and girls. The historian described the different branches of study which were taken up and told of the progress made by the class. After the second year Miss French and the principal, Mr. Lee, left the school. The class felt that the latter's position could never again be filled with so competent a man but they realized when the present principal, Mr. Sheppard, was put in charge that they had an excellent instructor. It was under his direction that the "High School Observer" was inaugurated, through his aid that the literary societies were placed on their present excellent standing and through his influence that the existing school spirit was brought to life. The reception tendered the class by Misses Cravath and Lockett was mentioned as an event of the junior year.

The last year in the school was spoken of as being the best of the course. The historian spoke of the entertainments which has been given in honor of the seniors by Messrs. Dickson, Johnson, Meyers and Quinlan; by Miss Ullrich and by the members of the junior class. The present officers of the class are: Gus Johnson, president; Mary Tolliday, vice president; Adella Bishop, secretary and Herbert Fell treasurer.

In behalf of the class the speaker thanked Miss Elder, in whose room the members sat, for the kindness she had shown them. She gave them a farewell party last Friday night and Mr. Sheppard entertained the class Tuesday evening. The other teachers spoken of in connection with the class life were Miss Howes, Miss Giliham, Miss Cravath, Miss Coolidge and Prof. Conradt. Considerable talent of different kinds was developed in the class. Among the musicians were Misses Stout and Tullis and Messrs. Church, Mann, Pesse and Dunston. The athlete of the class was Gus Johnson; the ball players, Messrs. Kiehl, Boguess, Haine and Fields; the poets, Miss Bivans and Miss Plumer; the comedian, Grover Haine and the orators, Miss Tolliday, Miss Bishop and especially Frank Dickson, the latter being spoken of as the pride of the class.

The historian gave interesting data of the class. The average age of the members of the class is 17 years, 9 months, 23 days and 12 hours, the oldest being 21 and the youngest 16. The average height of the graduates is 5 feet 47-8 inches. Thirty-four members of the class have blue eyes, twenty-seven brown, nine have black, three have hazel eyes and one has green eyes. Thirty-three have black, thirty-eight brown and ten light hair. The total weight of the class is seven, twentieths of a ton. There are 51 Republicans, 13 Democrats, nine Prohibitionists and six with no politics at all. In conclusion the historian said he believed that some members of the class would in the future record on humanity's roll of honor and that when marble shafts were reared heavenward to commemorate their deeds, he hoped some member might stone to chisel near the foundation stone that sentence, full of meaning to each of the class, "Decatur High School, '96."

The Class Oration.

Gus Johnson, the class orator, made an address on the subject, "The Age of Electricity." The subject was well chosen and the speech was excellently delivered.

He said that no name has been settled upon for the age in which we live; it is simply called the Nineteenth Century. He called attention to the fact that every other epoch had been named and suggested that this be called the Age of Electricity. It was only within the last few years that electricity has been understood, though the first was known of it in 600

B. C. Since then men have struggled with and conquered it until its powers have been made to perform wonderful labors. Among the advantages of electricity was quick communication, which was spoken of as one of the means whereby the forty-five states were kept united. Electric lights was another of the great uses of the power. The question now is to reduce the amount of energy lost in heat. Other discoveries have been brought to light which are of far reaching benefit, among which is the Roentgen rays. The heretofore wasted powers of Niagara Falls have been made to generate electricity which is used hundreds of miles away.

The orator then brought up the question as to whether this meant that men shall not work. He said that while it put men out of work in some places it gave them employment in others. The speaker asked the question if compensation would be just and repay the present inventors for what they had done, which far exceeded the wildest hopes of the ancients. Continuing Mr. Johnson said: "What electricity can do, is doing and has done is almost beyond realization. It is a vigilant and sleepless sentinel. It guards the swift rushing express; it warns us of the inroads of thieves; the outbreak of the fire; the leak in the vessel or the low water in the boiler. On the other hand it is a treacherous foe. It drives and explodes the dreadful torpedo which, all concealed under water, steals noiselessly to the fated ship. It fires the hidden mine beneath the unsuspecting battalion. It is a potent ally for human suffering in the hands of the physician, yet its destructive ability renders it an instrument of execution. It annihilates time and space in the telegraph, yet it governs time in hundreds of clocks. It will fire the charge which will hurl aloft whole acres of rock and open our great rivers to navigation. It will light the inner cavities of the body that the eyes of the physician may explore them or illuminate the eternal darkness of the sea that the canners may record their hidden mysteries. It will give warning of the approach of storms and earthquakes and it will record the votes that will change the destiny of our nation. A few years yet remain to complete the Nineteenth century. It has been the grandest, witnessed the greatest achievement and passed through the most sweeping changes of any of the centuries that have gone before. Some of the greatest poets and authors have lived and flourished in this century. Truths have been tested as never before. All classes of society live far better than those of the past. It has witnessed the erection of architectural works, the most imposing ever known. Mechanical pursuits have been brought to a state of perfection never dreamed of. And all of this sprung from the baby presented to practical mechanics by that masterful genius, Michael Faraday."

The Class Prophecy.

The class prophet, Miss Jennie Badenhausen read a paper which was of great interest to the members of the class. She told what was to become of all the class, giving it in the form of a little story. The speaker imagined herself living in the year 1906 and told what she heard of her class mates at that time. She disposed of all the members of the class, and gave the occupation they were following. Arthur Kiehl was pictured as a traveling man; Gus Johnson was principal of the high school with Miss Winifred Elliott and Miss Norma Dawson as teachers. Bertha Roddy and Razella La Marr were teachers in the city schools and Fannie Morris was conducting a seminary. Grace Munson was conducting tours in Europe, Arthur Aiken was the proprietor of a hotel and Dora Longnecker was conducting a kindergarten. Lillian Stout turned out to be a great writer, Ethel Scoville married and lived in the south. Challie Gasaway and Alice Wood lived in California. George Dunston was a dressmaker, Mary Lord a great artist and Jennie Muir and Edna Graves conducted a millinery establishment. Earle Colladay was a poet, Mae Miller traveled in Europe and John Kinney became a missionary. Hugh Hill, Frank Howes and Ray Howenstein were manufacturers, Grosvenor Haine, a showman and Edgar Quinlan street car magnates. Carrie King was a teacher and James Vigns a music teacher. Fred Mann was a minister, James Parish a lawyer and Clara Niedermeyer and Sadie Rixse editors. Ethel Gordon became a musician, Josephine, Floy and Maude Hughes were magazine writers and Bonnie Huttenpillar was a teacher. Frank Elliott and Charles Dixon were farmers, Hugh Hill an inventor, John Bruckway a captain of an air ship, Ben

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ED HOY ON TRIAL.

The Kloppenbergs Go on the Stand and Tell Their Story.

The case of the People vs. Edward Hoy, charged with complicity in the robbery of the Pickrell & Co. bank at Buffalo, is now on trial in the circuit court at Springfield.

Attorneys Snigg and Grout appear for the defendant. Hoy occupies a chair near his attorneys attended by his wife and little boy. States' Attorney Graham appears for the prosecution.

Carl Kloppenberg, the Buffalo bank cashier, was the first witness. He pleaded guilty some days ago and was given a sentence to the penitentiary. In his testimony Kloppenberg repeated in detail the story of the bank "robbery," as already detailed in these columns, and then he went on to connect Hoy with the job by stating that he knew about it, and that he had plotted with witness and Joe Kloppenberg to get the money out of the bank. On cross examination Kloppenberg said that his brother took \$303 in money from the counter which was to be divided among three. He admitted that on the morning of the robbery, he had placed \$400 in the vault. He said that he brought that money to this city on the day following the robbery (Friday) and gave it to Hoy at the drug store. He said he secreted the money in order to straighten out his books. He was short in his accounts, he said and wanted to straighten out the difficulty as he was to be given a position in the Illinois bank in a short time.

A. A. Pickrell, the bank president, testified that Kloppenberg was \$1,000 to \$1,200 short in his accounts.

Possibly the trial will be concluded this evening. The witnesses for Hoy are J. W. French, S. W. McKee, Seth Wickham, J. K. McCoy, J. D. Tilley, Al Booth, Fred Buck, John Piorik, Dr. J. N. Dixon, Dr. A. C. James, Charles Ryan, Henry Snyder, Hugh Smith, Philip Maffay, Frank Kuhl, T. W. S. Kidd, Dr. Vincent, Mayor Woodruff, Charles Graser, James Connell, Payton Conover, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thlenfeld and Albert Myers.

Riverside Park.
Although the Mark E. Swan Stock company who will open at the above park charging an admission, is playing practically for nothing, it must not be thought the entertainments will be inferior or cheap. A high grade of amusing plays replete with up-to-date specialties will be presented and an excellent company will produce them. Special attention will be given to the stage settings, and nothing will be spared to make the pavilion the best place of amusement in the vicinity of Decatur. Refreshments will be served during each performance and in fact, everything that can be done to insure the comfort of his patrons. Manager Ferguson will have the one object in view, "To please the public." One point that the management wants to impress on the public's mind, is that all the plays and specialties presented during the engagement of this company, will be first class in every respect, and suitable to the most scrupulous patrons. Special attention will also be given to children patronizing the pavilion.

Dr. L. Kittinger, a leading physician of Wilmington, Del., asked the proprietor of Brazilian Balm to send him a dollar bottle. A few weeks afterwards the doctor said: "I had a couple of cases of old cough on hand that completely baffled me. I had got to the end of my string. But the Balm made a prompt cure in both cases. It is a remarkable remedy."

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Dr. Cleves Bennett has opened an office in Mutton. Dr. Bennett graduated from the University of Illinois at Champaign, and was for two years after his graduation assistant librarian at the institution.

THE CIRCUIT COURT.

Entries on the Chancery Docket—Foreclosure Judgments.

Judge Vail made the following entries on the docket today in the circuit court.

Chancery Docket.
The People's Saving and Loan association vs. Samson Garrett, foreclosure; master's report approved. Decree for \$3,080.51 and costs.

People's Savings and Loan association vs. John Williams, foreclosure; master's report approved and decree for \$3,234.04 and costs and for receiver, bond \$800.

Miles K. Young, receiver vs. E. M. Weygandt, foreclosure; continued for service.

Michael F. Kanan vs. Marion A. Starling, foreclosure; master's report approved and decree for \$904.14 costs and for receiver in bond of \$300; sale, etc., continued.

People's Savings and Loan association vs. Audley D. Risley, foreclosure; master reports \$304.91 due complainant; decree for same and costs also reports due J. Milliken & Co. \$1,514.97; decree for sale accordingly.

People's Savings and Loan association vs. Verdie Hudson, foreclosure; master's report approved and decree for \$797.56 of sale and costs and received; bond in \$300 with surety and costs.

Leora M. Faust vs. Alfred J. Faust, divorce; decree pro confesso; cause heard.

Mary A. Phillip vs. Marion Phillips, divorce; cause heard; decree as prayed.

Daniel Moore vs. Lee S. Hall, foreclosure; leave to answer bill and make new parties defendants and continued for service.

William L. White vs. Lydia A. White, divorce; case heard; decree as prayed.

People's Docket.

James Whitaker, Thomas Sanders and Richard Sanders, burglary and petit larceny; Defendant Richard Sanders pleaded guilty to the indictment; judgment that defendant be imprisoned in reform school on first count and on second count imprisoned in reform school and pay costs. Time to begin on second count at the expiration of first count.

People vs. Jake A. Gilpin, grand larceny, motion by states attorney for continuance; motion allowed and cause continued. Motion by defendant to reduce bail; allowed and bail reduced to \$300.

PERSONAL MENTION.

J. E. Patterson arrived home this morning from Jacksonville where he went on business.

Thomas Pitner, who has been attending college at Jacksonville, arrived home today for the summer vacation.

Mrs. M. F. Metz went to Cerro (Gordo) today to visit friends for a few days.

Dr. Edward Carr, of Argenta, was in the city today on business.

Miss Mary McKowen left this morning for Patterson, New Jersey, where she will visit friends for several months.

Rev. and Mrs. Shock, who have been in the city, left this morning for their home in Portland, Oregon.

Miss Ida Pratt, of Chicago, is in the city visiting her friend, Miss Nina Buckmaster of North Church street.

Homer Tuttle has resigned his position in the office of V. Parke & Son and has taken a position with E. L. Martin.

Mrs. H. A. Tuttle will leave next week for Ann Arbor, Michigan, where she will attend the commencement exercises of the University of Michigan. Lon Tuttle, her son, is a member of the graduating class.

The following persons from Forsyth were in the city today to attend the High school commencement exercises: Misses Maud Benton, Ruth Lehman, Louise Oard and Annie Bixler, Mrs. H. C. Mowry, Mrs. J. B. Good and Mrs. Dr. Drury.

Stenographer and Typewriter.

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Tanner Buttons.

A large number of the Tanner buttons have appeared in the city. They are being distributed freely by C. N. Twadell.

Someone stole about 1300 pounds of meat at Monticello a week ago. Sheriff Shively got track of the thieves and started out to their house to catch them, but they drove off in a buggy just before his arrival. An exciting chase followed. The sheriff gained so rapidly that the men deserted their buggy and took to the woods. The horse and buggy and with it 400 pounds of the meat were captured, but the men are still at large.

Lieut. Charles S. Bookwalter, U. S. N., arrived in Danville on a leave of absence for two months, and is visiting his parents, Judge and Mrs. Bookwalter. He has just returned from a long cruise on the battleship New York, under Captain ("Fighting Bob") Evans. Since February he has cruised 17,000 miles.

C. J. Hookens, a lad who lives near Garber, drew a gun out of a wagon when it went off, the charge burning his hand and arm and tearing the flesh from his side, leaving a rib bare.

James Harry, a young man of Urbana, while riding on a wheel, was struck in the eye by a bug. It was necessary to remove the eye which was done Sunday last. His condition is dangerous.

C. J. Sablin, of Champaign, had more honors on Monday than usually fall to a man in one day. He had a birthday, his son Earl C., was married, and a daughter was born to his son, Elmer.

Rev. Father D. J. Ryan, who has been pastor of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church in Springfield, has been transferred to Mt. Sterling.

Tab Goodwine, southeast of Ambia, lost ten head of cattle, worth \$725, by eating lead paint. The paint had been left in an open pail in the barn.

Knightrider, of the Gibson club, has been to the bat thirty times this year and has not fanned once, has got bases on balls twice and made twenty-eight hits.

A young son of J. W. Wilson of Argenta had a tumor removed from his throat.

THE UNEXPECTED HAPPENED

Minnesota Democrats Come Out Flat Footed for a Single Gold Standard.

ST. PAUL, Minn., June 12.—The Democrats of Minnesota did a most unexpected thing yesterday, declaring emphatically for gold, when a count of noses Wednesday night seemed to indicate that the declaration would be for free silver. The gold men nominated O. M. Hall, ex-congressman from the third district, and he won by a comfortable majority.

The committee on resolutions made two reports, one declaring for gold and the other for the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1, the latter being the minority report. The gold men won by a vote of 440 to 323. The platform warmly indorses the administration of Grover Cleveland, reiterates the party's position on the tariff, and thus declares on the money question:

"We are unqualifiedly in favor of the present gold standard of value. We favor the use of both gold and silver as money, and believe that our government should coin and keep in circulation as a part of the circulating medium as large an amount of silver as can be employed without destroying or threatening to destroy the existing parity of value between the unit in gold and the unit in silver. We are opposed to a descent to monometallism of any kind and particularly to a silver monometallism, with its depreciating standard of values. We therefore oppose the free coinage of silver by our government at the ratio of 16 to 1 without co-operation on the part of the other commercial nations of the world, which would reduce this country to a condition of silver monometallism, entailing upon us financial panic and commercial and industrial disaster. We are utterly and irrevocably opposed to the adoption of any such policy."

The delegates-at-large are as follows: P. B. Winston, Minneapolis; Daniel W. Lawler, St. Paul; Logan Brackenridge, Rochester; Chauncey R. Baxter, Fergus Falls.

THE WALLING MURDER TRIAL.

Making Every Effort to End the Case this Week.

CINCINNATI, June 12.—Every effort will be made to end the Walling trial this week.

When court opened yesterday Dr. W. H. Grains surprised the state's lawyers by taking the stand for the defense. In the Jackson trial he was a witness for the state, saying that he found arsenic, mercury and cocaine in Pearl Bryan's stomach. The cocaine was probably administered by mouth, the witness said. The stomach contained more than two grains. The doctor then described death by cocaine poisoning. Death sometimes follows in 20 minutes after the poison is administered. Cocaine, however, is an uncertain drug.

F. B. Kramer, of Cincinnati, physician and teacher of medicine, stated that Pearl Bryan's head was probably cut off after death.

Col. Washington took the stand. He said Mrs. Ware, who swore that she heard a carriage pass out the Alexander pike on the night of the murder, told him she knew nothing about it.

Dr. Janson said the decapitation of Pearl Bryan took place after death. No other evidence of importance was adduced and court adjourned until today.

THE DEATH OF KATE FIELD.

Sad End of a Gifted Woman Among Strangers.

WASHINGTON, June 12.—An account of the recent death of Miss Kate Field at Honolulu, was received at the state department yesterday in a letter from Ellis Mills, United States consul general there. Mr. Mills says he was summoned to a wharf on the morning of May 19, and found Miss Field on board a small vessel, in which she had just arrived from one of the neighboring islands. She was unconscious at the time.

Mr. Mills secured a detachment of men from the United States steamship Adams and had her carried to the residence of a Dr. McGrew, where she died half an hour after her arrival. The cause of death was pneumonia. Mr. Mills had the body embalmed and placed in a vault, and at the date of his letter was waiting instructions from Mr. H. H. Kohlhaas, of Chicago, as to its disposition.

The Anti-Platt Delegation to the Republican National Convention.

NEW YORK, June 12.—The anti-Platt delegates to the republican national convention and most of the local McKinley supporters started for St. Louis at two o'clock yesterday afternoon on the Pennsylvania.

Cornelius N. Bliss, who is treasurer of the republican national committee had a little party of his own on a special car. It included Gen. Horace Porter, John S. Wise, Col. S. V. R. Cruger, Gen. Anson G. McCook, William Brookfield, Wilbur F. Wakeman, Henry C. Robinson, Benjamin Oppenheimer and William Henkel.

The party will reach St. Louis early this evening, and have headquarters at the Planters' hotel. This afternoon Edward Luterback, one of the four delegates-at-large, will start for the convention with the "regulars."

To Oppose Gen. Grosvenor.

ATHENS, Ohio, June 12.—The eleventh district democratic congressional convention met here yesterday and nominated William E. Fink, Jr., of New Lexington, by a unanimous vote, to oppose Gen. Grosvenor. The convention declared for free and equal coinage of both gold and silver at a ratio of 16 to 1.

Rapid But Unofficial.

DENVER, Col., June 12.—George Card, of the Denver Wheel club, paced by a sextette, rode a mile at Overland Park race course yesterday in 1:48 2-5 which is two seconds under Hamilton's record of Wednesday. The time is unofficial.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Ill., June 12, 1896.

The REPUBLICAN is indebted to B. Z. Taylor, dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondence in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis for the following market quotations:

	Open- ing.	High- est.	Low- est.	Clos- ing.
Wheat—				
June.....	57 1/4	58 1/4	57	57 1/4
July.....	58 1/4	59	57 1/4	58
September.....				
June.....	27 1/2	28	27 1/4	27 1/2
July.....	28 1/4	29	28 1/4	28 1/2
September.....				
Oats—				
June.....	17 1/4	17 1/2	17 1/4	17 1/4
July.....	17 1/4	17 1/2	17 1/4	17 1/4
September.....				
Pork—				
June.....	7 7/8	7 8/8	7 1/8	7 1/8
July.....				
Lard—				
June.....	4 2/8	4 2/8	4 1/8	4 1/8
July.....				
Ribs—				
July.....	3 9/8	3 9/8	3 8/8	3 8/8

July wheat: puts, 50% c; calls, 58% c; curb, 57% c.

TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—CAR LOTS.

Wheat—10, Estimated, 15; Year ago, 20.

June—388 Estimated, 395; a year ago, 177.

Oats—250; Estimated, 235; a year ago, 161.

ESTIMATES FOR TO-MORROW.

Wheat, 16; Corn, 415; Oats, 300.

Hog receipts 22,000; estimated 28,000. Market

5c higher. Light, \$3.10; 35-45; mixed, \$3.00-3.35;

heavy, \$3.10-3.17; rough, \$2.90-3.05.

Estimated for to-morrow, 14,000.

Cattle receipts 3,500; market steady.

LONDON, 1 p. m.—Off coast: wheat, steady;

corn, quiet. On passage: Wheat, steady; corn,

quiet. English country markets easy. French

country markets steady. Weather in England

warm.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

NEW YORK, June 12.—Stocks opened strong and higher, but soon weakened on the announcement of the engagement of a million and three-quarters in gold for export to-morrow.

The pressure relaxed after a time, however, and under liberal purchases fractional advances took place. At eleven the market was steady at top figures.

The features of speculation were heavy purchases of international shares by foreign houses. Market at midday steady at about top figures.

NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, June 12.—Wheat, July, 64% c. Corn,

July, 34% c. Oats, July, 22.

NEW YORK, June 11.—Butter, steady, @215%.

Eggs, steady, 14 1/2 c.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

ST. LOUIS, June 12.—Wheat, cash, No. 2,

red, 53c; July, 52% c. Corn, cash, 25% c; July,

25% c; Oats, cash, 17% c; July, 17% c.

PEORIA QUOTATIONS.

PEORIA, June 12.—Corn, lower, No. 2 26% c.

Oats, easy, No. 2, white, 18 1/2 c. Rye 34.

DECATUR STOCK MARKET.

The following are the ruling prices paid by

local dealers for stock:

Cows and Heifers.....2.50-2.60

Sheep.....3.50-4.00

Hogs.....3.75-4.00

Calves.....3.50-4.00

Export Cattle.....4.00-4.50

POULTRY MARKET.

Corrected daily by Max Atlas & Co:

Hens.....50 per lb

Geese.....50 per lb

Ducks.....70 per lb

Slugs.....50 per lb

Eggs.....100 per lb

Hides.....50 per lb

Turkey hens.....100 per lb

Tom turkeys.....50 per lb

Gobblers.....50 per lb

Beeswax.....50 per lb

LINN & SCRUGGS

Dry Goods & Carpet Co.

...June Clearing Sale...

Communion and Confirmation Wax Wreaths worth \$2.00, special 98c.

25 doz. Flowers worth 25c, at 9c.

50 pieces Persian Ribbons worth 25c, at 15c yard.

20 doz. Roses worth \$1.00, at 25c.

100 Trimmed Hats worth \$5, at \$2.50.

1,000 Shirt Waists worth \$1.50, at 98c.

Ladies' Linen Collars, 2 for 25c.

Ladies' Linen Cuffs, pair 20c.

Ladies' Ties at 19c.

300 Black Figured Dress Skirts at \$1.98.

3,000 White Kid Belts worth 25c, at 19c.

Underwear Talk.

In our Underwear Window we are showing Two Lines of Men's Summer Underwear which we know to be of Exceptional value for the money.

LINE 1---Is a Mottled Balbriggan, light in weight, comfortable and cool, and is being sold for 25c a garment, or 50c a suit.

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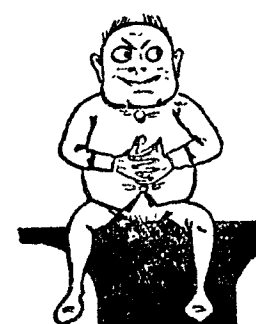
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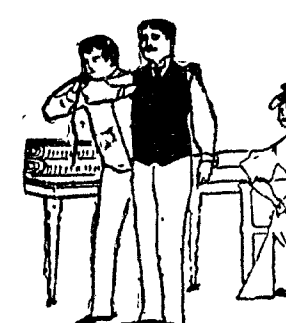
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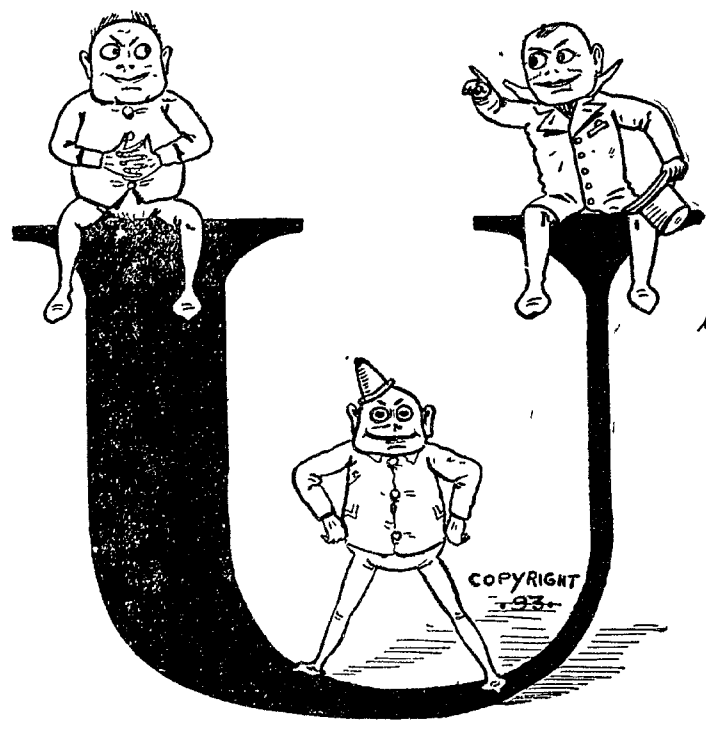
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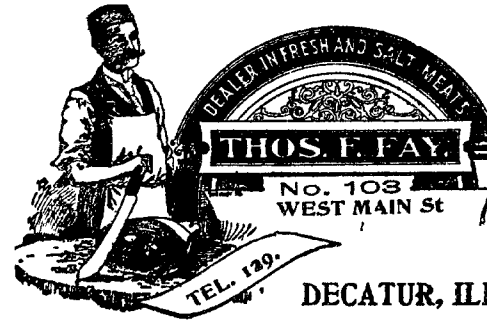
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Our Own Make of NEGLIGEE SHIRTS at 35c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00 are better for the money and better made than found elsewhere. Our Work Shirts made in our factory is a guarantee of the best shirts for the money.

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wasn't playing such an important part in life as the tailor whose reputation depends upon taking your measure perfectly and fitting your clothing perfectly to that measure. This is what Ehrman does in such an exact manner that your clothing fits like a new skin, with only variations to make it accord with the very latest style. To keep in the swim you must keep in with Ehrman. One of their suits is a passport into swell society.

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THE UNION LEAGUE

Of the Greatest Republican City of the Country to the

REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION.

Suggests Doctrines and Principles that Should be Embodied in the Platform and Carried Out by the Party if Successful.

PHILADELPHIA, June 12.—The Union league, through a committee appointed for the purpose, yesterday afternoon adopted the following address:

To the National Convention of the Republican Party.

The Union league of Philadelphia, the representative republican organization of the greatest republican city of the country, respectfully submits for your consideration that the present hindrances to the prosperity of the country are:

First—Uncertainty as to the maintenance of the existing gold standard of value.

Second—That deficiency of government revenues which has compelled an increase of the national debt in order to defray the necessary expenses of the administration.

Third—The departure of the Wilson bill from the protection of American labor to which this country owes that unparalleled prosperity which it enjoyed during the years previous to 1894.

Considerations of public interest and political expediency dictate the adoption of a platform which shall declare with absolute clearness that the republican party adheres to the policy of protection and reciprocity; demands the enactment of laws which will give to the government an adequate revenue; opposes the free coinage of silver, and insists upon the maintenance of the existing gold standard of value. Nothing short of these explicit and positive declarations will assure the people that the republican party, when again entrusted with the responsibility of administration, will resist any debasement of the standard of value; will protect the wages of American labor, and will restore national and individual prosperity.

[Signed.] JAMES V. WATSON, Chairman of Committee.
E. A. HANCOCK, Secretary.

THE NATIONAL GAME.

Games Played Yesterday by League and Association Clubs.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

At Washington—Washingtons, 11, St. Louis, 6.

At Philadelphia—Phillies, 10, Louisville, 9.

At Baltimore—Chickens, 5, Baltimore, 3.

At New York—Pittsburghs, 12, New Yorks, 7.

At Boston—Bostons, 9, Cincinnati, 1.

At Brooklyn—Brooklyns, 6, Cincinnati, 1.

At Cedar Rapids—Dubuques, 4, Cedar Rapids, 2.

At Burlington—Burlingtons, 13, St. Josephs, 7.

At Rockford—Rockfords, 11, Peorias, 3.

At Milwaukee—St. Pauls, 12, Milwaukee, 10.

At Indianapolis—Indianapolis, 13, Columbus, 8.

At Kansas City—Kansas City-Minneapolis game called at the end of the eighth inning on account of rain—score 7 to 7.

At Grand Rapids—Detroit, 8, Grand Rapids, 5.

IN A HOUSE OF ILL-FAME.

An Infatuated Newspaper Man Shoots a Pretty but Foul Reporter and Kills Himself.

CINCINNATI, June 12.—J. Chase Dowd, last night at 11:30 o'clock, seriously shot Lucille Vahne and then killed himself with a revolver. The shooting occurred in a house of ill-fame. The girl will recover.

Miss Vahne recently came here as a newspaper reporter, and was apparently of good family. The cause of her fall is not known.

Dowd had met and become infatuated with the girl before her downfall. He was himself a newspaper man from Mead, and comes of a prominent family. He was about forty years old, and has a brother at Columbus, O.

TWO MEN KILLED

By a Frightful Fall of Seventy Feet—They Gave the Wrong Signal.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., June 12.—John Wood and Ben McCalla, workmen engaged in removing the scaffolding from the interior of the new big chimney of the steel railway company's powerhouse, fell 75 feet at two o'clock yesterday afternoon. The men gave the wrong signal to the hoisting engineer, and were drawn to the top with great force, and then fell to the earth. Wood died at the hospital, and McCalla is dying. Both are men of families.

Speaker Reed Still Hopeful.

WASHINGTON, June 12.—"There is no change in the situation at St. Louis so far as it affects me," said speaker Reed to the United Press last night. "My name will be presented to the convention."

Further Speaker Reed would not talk. Among his friends, however, the opinion is freely expressed that Mr. Manley was panic-stricken by the action of the national committee in the Alabama contest cases.

Mr. Reed is in direct communication with his friends in St. Louis, and is watching events with deep interest.

Killed by a Pitched Ball.

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., June 12.—Jackson Sheridan was umpiring a game of ball Tuesday afternoon when he was struck in the temple by a pitched ball. He died from concussion of the brain yesterday afternoon. Sheridan was a member of the Indiana university team and lived at Lebanon, Ind.



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COLLECTIONS A SPECIALTY.

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CLASS DAY.

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Bachrach and Howard Cloyd, physicians and Ira Garver an architect. Willis Shirey was a railroad president and Will Rothfuss, Charles Medford and Arthur Pease were his assistants. Staunton Fields was a surveyor. Nellie Batchelder was a teacher at a college, Celia Arthur a doctor and Adelia Bishop a lecturer. Bert Bogges was the president of the Chicago university and Clarence Irwin was the mayor of that city. Fred Church was an organist, Frank Dickson and Dean Cool statesmen and Jeannette Tullis married a foreign prince. The prophet told of the other members of the class and gave a happy ending to them all.

The Class Poem.
The poem was composed and read by Miss Mary Bell Bivans. It was well given and the poem in itself was a gem which brought out a pretty sentiment of the feeling of the members of the class toward each other. It was as follows:

As a guest from the feast which was bountifully spread
With a sore-burdened heart turns away,
When the hall is deserted, the light's glare is fled,
And the music seems silent for aye—
And the banquet's gay splendor that a moment before
Shone o'er faces that sparkled with mirth,
Fades quickly away on the fleet wings of night
And o'er all the scene falls the darkness of earth.

So we turn from thy doors, Alma Mater, to-day,
From thy feast so lavishly spread,
From thy halls now so lonely, where the light fades away,
And the garlands lie withered and dead.

We turn, but we linger, ere we tell thee farewell,
To catch one long fading ray
Of the light thou hast given through the years
That are gone,
In the halls where we gathered each day.

The four precious years pass before us again,
How dear in remembrance they seem!
Each brought us its portion of pleasure and pain,
But the joy lives forever, the pain's but a dream.

The words of our teachers, the counsel, the cheer,
That lightened the burdens we bore,
They'll abide through the years still urging us on
"En Avant!" "En Avant!" evermore.

The hand-clasp, the greeting, the smile and the jest,
On the stairs, in the halls, where we met,
The dear ties of friendship cemented in school,
Can we ever, can we ever, forget?

Oh, no! for ever and for ever they'll abide
Thro' the long weary years whatever betide;
Thro' sorrow and pain, thro' the sunshine and rain,
They'll fade not away but forever remain.

As the leaves blown apart by the blustering wind,
From the tree that has cherished them long,
So we find the bonds burst rudely apart
That our school days made beautifully strong.

We stand on the threshold, expectant, alone,
In armor, prepared for the strife;
We wait but the order, all ready to go
To the battles and conflicts of life.

As the clouds hide the sky and the mist hides the earth,
So the future is veiled from our view,
But whatever Time may bring, whatever lot be ours,
To ourselves and to God we'll be true.

Tho' we go now apart, each his way thro' the years,
Tho' we ne'er meet again as to-day,
May we join hands when life's toll is o'er—
May we meet ne'er to part, forever and aye!

The Valedictory.
The Valedictory was given by Miss Adelia Bishop. The address had been carefully prepared and the young lady delivered it excellently. Her subject was "Illinois and the Nation." She spoke of the prominent and important part that Illinois holds in the United States of America. She said: "The history of our state is especially fascinating. Her growth has been marvelous, her achievements great, her statesmen have been unsurpassed and in war her sons have been of the bravest. She has been foremost among the states in working out the political questions. To her belong the annals of a great city which in spite of its conflagration has risen to a place preeminent in the nation. Its prosperity was crowned by the World's Columbian Exposition in 1893. Its interests and business enterprises are gathering the wealthy and progressive men of the country and Chicago is rapidly becoming the business center of the world."

"Illinois was the third section of the Northwestern Territory to be admitted as a state. She has been bountifully blessed by nature. Situated as she is in the center of the United States she has access to the navigation of the Ohio, Wabash, Illinois and Mississippi rivers, and thus when railroads were unknown Illinois could carry on an extensive commerce. The abundance of coal, excellent means of transportation, supply of lumber, cheapness of food and superior water power in different parts of the state are rapidly making it a great seat of manufacturers." The speaker drew the comparison of the early days in Illinois and the present time, and remarking on the rapid growth of the state, she said that material progress is not alone the source of national development but with this education must go hand in hand. Illinois has recognized this fact and is rapidly establishing schools and colleges among which are the two state Normal schools for the training of teachers and the University of Illinois, and also the University of Chicago, which was recently founded and gives promise to be one of the best of the country.

"To be patriotic," said the young lady, "is the duty of the state as well as the individual. The patriot Illinois displayed during the Civil War has won for

her much enduring fame. She at that time for the sake of the glorious cause gave a quarter of a million of men and untold millions of money to the country. Heroically did the sons of Illinois leave homes and families and sacrifice their lives for that of their country. The history of our troops in the western battles is one of which Illinois may be justly proud, for no other state did more nobly than she. Never did they turn back or falter when their assistance was needed by the nation. They have made the battlefields of Vicksburg, Belmont, Chattanooga and Shiloh sacred with their blood. The prairie state gave first of all her approval of the Emancipation Proclamation, and declared that everyone in bondage should be free. It was an Illinois soldier who first planted the Stars and Stripes at Fort Donelson; it was the Illinois troop under Grant that won that glorious victory."

Miss Bishop then paid a beautiful tribute to the soldiers and statesmen of Illinois and in concluding the address she said, "And the whole nation with reverence and devotion now bows before the name of Lincoln—a name which will be handed down from generation to generation with the greatest of love as a man who in sympathy, kindness, honesty, loyalty and patriotism surpasses all others, whose memory will always live in the hearts of the people. A man born not to die, the giver of freedom, the savior of the country, Abraham Lincoln shines forth as the brightest jewel of all in the crown of glory and sheds his beautiful light over the light of the nation, glorious nation, glorious Illinois."

Following the address Miss Bishop gave the Valedictory proper. In this she said: "Long, long ago the German poets sang of a band of heroes who went in search of the golden fleece. Many were the dangers they encountered on the way, but they pressed onward until at last the good ship Argo touched upon the shore of Colchis. Four years ago another band started on a similar quest. Great and numerous were the foes that assailed them. They too steered clear of Scylla and Charybdis until today the class of '96 have found the treasure for which they have long sought. Members of the Board of Education and teachers of the high school, we turn to you with faces full of gratitude and love. As the bright warm rays of the sun cause the flowers to lift up their heads and open their petals to more perfect beauty so you by your untiring and devoted efforts in our behalf have lifted up our minds and opened our hearts to more perfect life. By giving us courage and help when we most needed assistance, by making us true to ourselves, by inspiring us with your own lives you have enabled us to accomplish that to which we have been looking forward these eleven years of our school life. We have more than fully realized in our senior year what your influence on the formation of our character has been. We cannot thank you enough with words but may our lives full of grace and truth be a reward to you."

"Members of the class of '96, our school life this morning has come to a close but a broader and grander life is opening before us. The motto 'En Avant' written in letters of gold on the folds of our banner floats proudly before us, urging us to go forth from the defeats of our school days with a greater determination to be victors in the battle of life; and to go from the victories in the past to greater battle fields and look for greater victories; to go from the truth our teachers have imparted to us and seek more light and truth; and to press ever onward and upward until at last we touch the shining gates of gold. Our class spirit has been strong and our fellowship sweet these four short happy years and it is with a feeling of regret that we think we will meet as a class no more, but we will always cherish the most pleasant memories of our school days together. It is with love and sadness that we say farewell to our teachers, High School and each other. 'Farewell' a word that must be-hath been. A sound that makes us linger, yet-farewell. 'Farewell.'"

Final Exercises.
At the close of the exercises Prof. Gastman awarded the diplomas. Each member stepped forward and received the coveted parchment which he had worked for during the past four years. The class then sang a song entitled "Good Bye, Old High School," and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. D. F. Howe.

Notes on the Class.
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About fifteen members of the class expect to go to college next fall. Dean Cool, Grover Halse, Bert Bogges, Frank Dickson, Gus Johnson expect to attend the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor next year.

Ben Bachrach will attend a school in the east and will study pharmacy.

James Vigus will attend college next year at Jacksonville where he will live his parents.

James Parish will teach school at Haristown next term. Clarence Irwin also expects to teach.

The youngest members of the class is Miss Jennie Badenhausen, the prophet, who is 16 years old. She is one of the youngest persons who ever graduated from the school.

Miss May Miller won the scholarship to Oxford college at Oxford, Ohio, having received the highest average of any girl in the class. Her average for the course was 91.6.

Dean Cool had the highest average among the boys, 90.4, and took six studies each year instead of four.

The students of the High school have a vacation until September 7, when the institution will be open again.

Sleeth, the photographer, has taken a picture of all the members of the class, a relic of the occasion which will be cherished by every graduate.

The following is the class cry: "Rickety, Rix, Nickety, Nix; Biff, Boom, Blix; High School, High School, Ninety-Six."

The class colors which were used in all the decorations were old gold and white. The committee in charge the decorations at the opera house was composed of the following members of the junior class: A. Myers, Abner Brintlinger, Josephine Waggoner, Josephine Kerr, Walter Shade, John Summersbach, Pearl Higginbotham, Bessie Lutz, Bessie Sanner, Wayne Williams, Edna Woodford, Ralph Curtis and Estella Williams.

There were over 3,000 invitations sent out for the commencement exercises. The seats in the parquet of the house were reserved for those holding tickets and the rest of the house was thrown open to the public.

The following were those who acted as ushers on the first floor of the opera house: Herbert Whiting, Ira Clokey, Emma Muthersbaugh, Blanche Alexander, Lillian King, Myrtle Flint, Abner Brintlinger, Wayne Williams, Estelle Williams, Madge Fenton, Frank Collins, Ralph Cruzan, Sylvester Wilhelmy, Fred Platt, Mary Sterret, Clara Phillips, Edna Woodford and Josephine Waggoner.

The following were the ushers in the balcony: Florence Donahue, Guy Lipscomb, Marie Steinbach, Josephine Bold, Mame Greene, Lucille Bonbrake, Clarence Eberly, Walter Shade, Ina Kincaid, Ida Dearborn, Fred Neidermeyer, Elmer Brintlinger, Russell Packard, Bertrand Kennedy, Bessie Sanner and Bessie Lutz.

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THE ALUMNI.
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The menu for the banquet will be as follows:
Consume in Cups.
Olives. Radishes.
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Red Current Ice.
Cold Ham. Cold Tongue.
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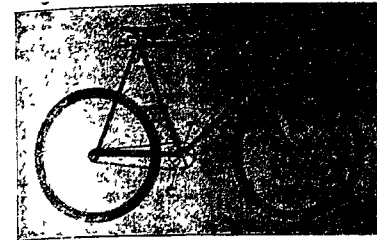
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Syphilis, Blood and Skin Diseases cured. No injurious drugs, such as mercury, potash, etc., used.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St. This is commencement day—80 graduates.

Go to Henry Bros. bakery for all kinds of cakes, pies, etc. dec 26-dtf
Whitley handles none of the inferior grade chocolates.

Use Irwin's Rapid Relief for cramps, colic or cholera morbus.

Dr. H. P. Bachman, dentist rooms 7, 8 and 9, in Temple block. 5 dtt

Dr. L. E. Coonrad, Dentist rooms 43 and 43 Fenton block. aug24-dtf

Call for the Little Rose and Bouquets, and you will get good cigars.

Russian Corn Cure always gives satisfaction. For sale by I. N. Irwin & Co.

The army worm and red rust are doing great damage to the wheat in DeWitt county.

The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Weiland are the best in town. mch 25-dtf

Mama eats a Cascaret, baby gets the benefit. Cascarets make mother's milk mildly purgative.

BEST Imported Cement for Sidewalks; warranted. Decatur Rock Plaster Co., new 'phone 528.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

The Republican Marching club will arrive from Chicago over the Wabash Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Splendid and durable are the Haines and Reed & Son's pianos. They are on sale only at the C. B. Prescott music house.

The Mills Lumber Co. nine will play ball with the Decatur Lumber Co. club Saturday evening at 5 o'clock at the association park. No admission will be charged.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

L. Chodak's news house, No. 117 North Water street. Cigars, tobaccos and pipes. Best assortment in the city.

Go to Spencer & Lehman company for fine surreys, canopy and extension top-buggies and road wagons, and a full line of medium grade vehicles.

Feb 26, d&w tf

On Sunday June 14, the I. D. & W. will run an excursion to Bloomingdale, Glens and Montezuma. Fare for the round trip, \$1.50. Train will leave Decatur at 7:30 a. m.

William P. Shade has been appointed administrator of the estate of the late Mrs. Henry McGlellan. The bond is for \$3,400 with W. F. Busher and Ed Brennan as sureties.

Edward Leslie, aged 34 years, son of Dr. Joseph Leslie, of Elwin, has been adjudged insane in the county court. The commission was Dr. W. A. Dixon and Dr. W. T. Patterson.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

A biography in a nutshell: Born, welcomed, caressed, cried, grew, amused, reared, studied, examined, graduated, in love, loved, engaged, married, quarreled, reconciled, suffered, deserted, taken ill, died, mourned, buried and forgotten.

The first annual summer meeting of the Shelbyville Horse Fair association will be held in the "Queen City," on the 24th, 25th and 26th days of June. Over \$1000 is to be offered in purses and the program is announced for each successive day. Good music will be furnished every day. J. W. Igou is president and R. L. Garis secretary of the association.

No better soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Riverton. Buy it of M. F. Metz. Personally he can be found at the yard office, 800 North Broadway. For Broadway office, Old Phone 486; New Phone 435. Also leave orders with T. W. Cann 628 North Main or with Harry Metz at King & Metz' drug store. Hard coal all sizes, always in stock at market prices. Nov. 11dtf

The will of the late Henry W. Davis is on file in the county court. The estate consists of \$2,000 personal property and 320 acres of land in Champaign county, besides a house and lot in block 8, Higgins' addition. At the death of Mrs. Davis the homestead goes to Ruby M. Hughes. The remainder of the estate is to be equally divided among the children, Ivan N. Davis, Byrd L. Davis, Charles R. Davis, Rowenna Doultett and Minnie S. Hind.

Thursday before Judge Hammer in the county court Henry Hildebright, of Friends' Creek township, aged 74 years, was recommended to the insane asylum at Kankakee and Andrew Wilson, his conservator will take him to the asylum.

Mr. Hildebright owns 400 acres of fine farm lands and personal property valued at \$10,000. He was declared insane July 27, 1894, and has for the past eighteen months been in the care of his wife. He has recently become unmanageable, however, and it was deemed best to send him to the asylum.

Nervous Diseases.

Epilepsy, nervous prostration, rheumatism, etc., treated.

Diseases of Women, such as bearing down, pains, weak backs, bloating swelling of the limbs, painful or suppressed menses, leucorrhoea (whites), ulcerations, sterility, cured by our treatment; saves the patient the unpleasant features of local treatment.

All Chronic Diseases treated. No incurable cases taken.

A FEW NEARLY NEW 1896 BICYCLES

VERY CHEAP on
EASY PAYMENTS.

BICYCLES

—FOR RENT BY THE WEEK.

If you purchase a Bicycle we
apply the rent that you have
paid on the purchase price.

J. G. Starr & Son,

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Decatur's Largest Variety. Bicycles, Vehicles, Harness.

Three Meals

a day, no matter how warm the weather. And yet the task isn't such a burdensome one, even in weather as warm as the present, when you have a gas range. If you have not a gas range there is certainly no good reason why you should not get one at once. In the first place the price of fuel gas has been reduced to \$1.25 a thousand. This makes

Gas the Cheapest Fuel

you can use. It is cheaper than gasoline at 11 cents a gallon, and then it make no odor; there is no danger and no insurance permit is necessary. You turn the valve, you touch the match, and when the meal is done another turn of the wheel and the expense stops.

How Simple! How Comfortable!

You do not know what you are missing if you are still doing your cooking over an old-fashioned coal stove or a dangerous, ill-smelling gasoline makeshift. Not only has the price of fuel gas been reduced, but in order to get as many gas ranges into operation as possible this summer,

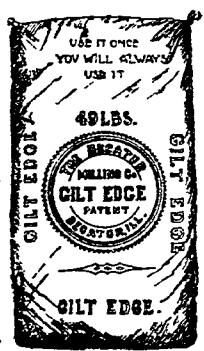
The Decatur Gaslight & Coke Co.

have bought a large number of various styles of the latest and best gas ranges made and are offering them at exactly what they cost to manufacture. If you are interested in the subject, and every woman should be, call at their office in the

**PASFIELD BUILDING,
ON NORTH MAIN STREET,**

see the gas ranges they are showing, and be surprised at how few dollars it will take to get one of them.

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Order.
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R. R. TIME TABLES.

In effect May 20, 1896.

Wabash Line

FROM ST. LOUIS.	TO ST. LOUIS.
No. 11 Pass. 8:55 a.m.	No. 11 Pass. 6:55 a.m.
4 Pass. 11:42 a.m.	3 Pass. 8:40 a.m.
4 Pass. 11:20 a.m.	5 Pass. 8:40 a.m.
2 Pass. 11:13 p.m.	17 Pass. 8:00 p.m.
2 Pass. 12:55 a.m.	No. 1 Pass. 12:15 a.m.
16 Pass. 5:30 a.m.	No. 7 Pass. 5:30 a.m.
16 Pass. 10:00 p.m.	
Sunday only.	

FROM QUINCY AND KANSAS CITY.	TO QUINCY AND KANSAS CITY.
No. 2 Pass. 10:05 p.m.	No. 8 Pass. 5:40 a.m.
4 Pass. 11:20 a.m.	5 Pass. 8:40 a.m.
16 Pass. 5:30 a.m.	17 Pass. 8:00 p.m.
16 Pass. 10:00 p.m.	No. 1 Pass. 12:15 a.m.
Sunday only.	

FROM CHICAGO.	TO CHICAGO.
No. 12 Pass. 1:05 a.m.	No. 12 Pass. 1:05 a.m.
15 Pass. 3:45 p.m.	14 Pass. 11:47 a.m.
16 Pass. 8:00 p.m.	16 Pass. 7:00 p.m.
Daily, except Sunday.	

ILLINOIS CENTRAL.	SOUTH.
No. 11 Pass. 8:55 a.m.	No. 11 Pass. 6:55 a.m.
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A BEAUTIFUL LINE OF BELTS.

Belts in all different lengths and all colors of leather—White Kid, Black Seal, Brown Seal, Dark Alligator, Light Alligator, &c., with Silver Buckles; also with Leather Buckles. All of these goods are Genuine Leather, including some of the newest things just received.

A great many new and attractive odd pieces in Sterling Silver, suitable for graduating presents.

Otto E. Curtis & Bro.,
Jewelers,

156 East Main St.—113 North Water St.

New Spring Goods.

F. H. COLE SHOE CO.,

148 East Main Street.

CRASH! BANG!

Went the glass in our new show windows while the workmen were setting them. We can make no show in our windows till other glass arrives, but we will cut the price inside our store to make our trade bigger than ever.

WAISTS...

Too many—must be sold.

Nice Laundered Percale Waists at 40c.
Best Quality Striped Percale Waists at 75c.
New Persian Pattern Percale Waists, separate collars, at 90c, worth \$1.50.
Best Calico Wrappers at 60c.
Best Challie Wrappers at 80c.
Separate Skirts at \$2.48, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$5.00.
Duck Linon Skirts at \$1.98.

THIN DRESS GOODS.

Challies, light or dark colors, cut to 45c.
Best 15c Dimity Dress Goods cut to 10c.
Dotted Linon Effects in Dress Goods, cut to 12 1/2c.
40-inch Nun's Velling all-wool Dress Goods cut to 45c, worth 75c.

SHOES...

Oxford Tie Sale.

About 100 pairs of assorted kinds Oxford Tie Shoes to be closed out at 80c a pair.

Trade at Our Store This Week and Save Money.

Chas. E. Johnston
DECATUR, ILL.
151 NORTH WATER STREET.

10c A QUART

bottle for a first-class disinfectant; can be used any place about the house, where a disinfectant is needed. Usual price 25c.

KING & METZ,
...Druggists...

SOCIETY MEETINGS.

MODERN WOODMEN.—Regular meeting of Decatur Camp, No. 144, M. W. A. in the old Calumet Club rooms on South Water street, this (Friday) evening, at 8 o'clock. B. FLOREY, V. C. G. P. LEWIS, Clerk.

MASONIC.—Special communication of Ionia Lodge, No. 312, A. F. and A. M., this (Friday) evening, June 12, at 7:30 o'clock. By order of W. D. MATTHEW, W. M. J. & MC CLELLAND, Sec.

The regular Friday night Holiness meeting will be held this evening in the W. C. T. U. hall at 7:30 o'clock. Every one invited.

LOCAL NEWS.

You pay a little more for Sleeth's portraits but—

Johnny Weigand still makes the Leda 10 cent cigar. meh25-dtf

If you want the best fly paper buy Duff Shot at Irwin's.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

Sleeth is the only photographer in the city who guarantees satisfaction.

Telephone Rock Plaster Co. for Lime, Cement and Rock Plaster.

Prescriptions carefully compounded day or night at Opera House drug store.

There were several generous bursts of rain this afternoon and some hail fell.

Free concert by Goodman's band at Riverside park Sunday afternoon.—10-413

Just before going to bed eat a Cascaret candy cathartic. Makes you feel fine in the morning.

Rubber tires for surreys and buggies. George S. Durfee & Bro., 158 South Water street.—11-df

What's the matter with you? Constipated? Cascarets will cure. Eat them like candy.

If you can't find Riverside fruit at the groceries order direct of George W. Stoy, postoffice box 243.—10-46

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

Lowney's first-class chocolates and World's Premium box candies are handled exclusively by Whitley.

Just Received—A full line of fresh garden seeds from the best and most reliable seedsmen by Spencer & Lohman company. Feb. 26, d&w 3mo.

Go to Spencer & Lehman company for wood pumps, iron pumps, force pumps and pump repairs. feb24&wtf

The case of Ed Johnson vs. George Pasfield which was tried in Justice Shorb's court yesterday afternoon was dismissed.

The case of Mrs. Simons, of the Decatur hotel, who is charged with disorderly conduct came up again this afternoon in Justice Odor's court.

There were fifteen fine carriages in front of the Grand at noon, all waiting for the commencement exercises to close. All were for the use of members of the graduating class.

The new postal wire running from Decatur reached St. Louis Wednesday night at 7 o'clock. Offices were opened at Assumption and Pana. The postal office in Decatur now has two wires to Chicago and two to St. Louis direct.

John C. Orr was brought before Judge Hammer in the county court this afternoon to have a hearing as to his sanity. Attorney Latham appeared for Orr. The man is 55 years old and was at one time an inmate of the soldiers' asylum at Washington, D. C. He was released from that place as cured about two years ago.

The new Methodist church at Emery has been completed by the contractor, J. R. Smith, and the trustees are in possession of the keys to the building. The edifice will be dedicated on Sunday, June 21, when Rev. A. C. Byerly, of Champaign, will deliver the sermon. Rev. Preston Wood, jr., will preach at 3 p. m. The pastor is Rev. J. G. Jeffers, of Decatur.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held as usual yesterday. Business was taken up and disposed of. A committee on program was appointed to serve three months. Mrs. Cruzan was made chairman. Resolutions of sympathy were read and adopted, regarding the present troubles of our friends and co-workers, the Salvation Army. At our next meeting the question box will be in charge of Miss M. E. Crissey. L. M. Brown, Secretary pro tem.

Electric Bitters.—Electric Bitters is a medicine suited for any season, but perhaps more generally needed when the languid, exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilious fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial poison. Headache, indigestion, constipation, dizziness yield to Electric Bitters. 50c and \$1.00 per bottle at West's drug store.

Penny Wise and Pound Foolish are they who have not Foley's Colic and Diarrhoea Cure as a safeguard in the family. Neisler Drug & Supply Co. and N. L. Krone.

THE COUNTY BOARD.

Close of the June Meeting—Reports Presented and Bills Paid.

The supervisors completed their business today. This morning J. H. Culver was given permission to address the board and made a proposition to furnish electric light for the court house. No action was taken.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and on motion of Mr. Spence approved.

The finance committee reported that they had examined the claim of J. Millikin & Co. for interest on an overdraft and recommended that an order be drawn for the claim. The report was accepted on motion of Mr. Davidson.

The committee on fees and salaries reported that they had examined the semi-annual report of Circuit Clerk McClellan and found it correct. It showed the earnings in the clerk's office for the half year to be \$4,320.40 and the expenditures \$2,514.90, making an excess of earnings over expenditures of \$1,814.50. The total receipts were \$3,910.55, leaving a balance of \$1,395.65 in the hands of the clerk. On motion of Supervisor Orr the report was accepted.

The same committee recommended the payment of claims against the county amounting to \$3,166.60. Adopted on motion of Mr. Thrift.

The fees and salaries committee reported that they had examined the report of Sheriff J. P. Nicholson and found it correct and recommended that a draft be drawn in favor of Mr. Nicholson for \$772.43. Adopted on motion of Mr. Bullard.

The pauper claims amounting to \$5,473.96 were submitted. Mr. Nicky moved to adopt and Mr. Muirhead moved to reconsider but the latter motion was lost and the original motion to adopt was carried.

On motion of Mr. Stoy the public building committee was instructed to make necessary improvements in the court house and jail.

The public building committee was also instructed to purchase two water meters and have them placed in position where needed in the court house or jail. The board then adjourned until 1 o'clock.

Afternoon Session.

The board met again at 1 o'clock. The judiciary committee reported on the claim of Champaign county against Macon county for \$30. On motion of Mr. Thrift the claim was allowed.

A special committee which had been appointed for the purpose reported that they had visited the poor farm and found everything about the buildings to be in a satisfactory condition except the sewerage. They specified improvement which should be made in that connection. The report was received and ordered placed on file.

On motion of Supervisor Turner the gas meter in the court house was ordered taken out.

Mr. Davidson moved that a committee be appointed at the July meeting to go to Springfield and attend the meeting of the state board of agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Stoy it was decided to refer the whole matter of lighting the court house and jail to the public building committee with power to act.

Mr. Muirhead moved that Macon county take no tornado insurance and the motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Thrift the board adjourned till the July meeting.

News from Washington.

Washington, June 12.—The senate committee to investigate the recent bond issue met today to lay out the work. It sent word to Carlisle, to appear next Monday morning. He replied that he would be there. It is the wish of the committee to push matters as fast as possible. After examining Carlisle the committee will proceed to New York and take the evidence of J. Pierpont Morgan and others.

Presented With an Umbrella.

The members of the graduating class of the High school prepared a remembrance for their principal, Prof. J. J. Sheppard. Today after the commencement exercises they presented him with a handsome silk umbrella. Mr. Sheppard has been quite a favorite with the students of the school and thus wished to show him some gratitude for his kindness during their stay in the school.

Fruits in the Market.

The fruit season is now at its height and all kinds are on sale. The strawberries are about gone but there are raspberries, blackberries, gooseberries, plums, cherries and currants, all of which are sold at low prices. Egg plant is about the only new vegetable which is in the markets. Old potatoes have gone up in price and new potatoes are some cheaper.

Constable's Sale.

Constable sale tomorrow at the court house at 1 p. m., an elegant lot of all kinds of house hold furniture, carpets, sideboard, bookcase and other goods of every description.

W. W. Conard, Constable.

Married.

On June 10, by Rev. Father Tepe, at 1056 East Wood street, Emil Tauber and Miss Anna Stephen.

The attendants were John Scherer and Miss Hattie Waggoner.

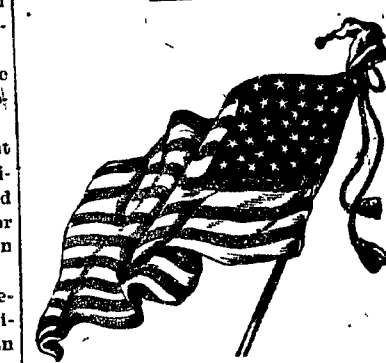
Flags Out.

There is a case of yellow measles at 1020 Dorendo street in the family of Jesse L. Bullard.

Children of Peter J. Lane at 1330 East William street have the measles.

COMING ON MONDAY.

Meeting of the McKinley Republican Club Last Night.



Decatur Will Receive and Entertain the Chicago Marching Club

—Committee Appointed.

A business meeting of the McKinley Republican club was held at the Abbott hall last night to arrange for the reception and entertainment of the Cook county McKinley Marching club, which will arrive in Decatur Monday, June 15, at about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, on a special Wabash train. There will be several hundred voters in the party, in uniform, accompanied by the First Regiment band of fifty pieces and by a number of the Republican candidates for state offices, who will stop in Decatur long enough to address the people from a stand to be erected in Central park.

Chairman Badenhausen presided at the meeting. W. F. Calhoun outlined the plans of the visitors and suggested what Decatur might do.

The motion to appoint a committee of fifty to meet and escort the delegation to the park failed of adoption. D. A. Maffitt thought a smaller committee would answer.

On motion of Captain Lytle a committee of five was appointed to act for the club and have full charge of the reception and arrangements. Committee: R. P. Lytle, E. A. Park, W. F. Calhoun, H. K. Midkiff and A. H. Mills. The committee met today and made all necessary arrangements for the reception.

W. W. Foster offered a resolution to the effect that the organization of the McKinley Republican club be continued through the campaign and that it be known as the McKinley Marching club. The resolution was adopted.

The Republican drum corps composed of young men, furnished music for the meeting and later made a street parade.

The reception committee will assemble at Central park to bid the visitors welcome.

NORTH AND SOUTH.

Union at the Marriage Altar—Eases Owen Nuptials.

Last evening at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Addie Owen, 128 West North street, Thomas H. Enos, of Summit, Miss., and Miss Lall Owen, of this city, were united in marriage by Dr. W. H. Penhallegon, of the First Presbyterian church. The ceremony was performed at 9 o'clock in the presence of a large company of friends. The handsome couple stood amid a profusion of flowers while the Colgate Hill Mandolin orchestra made sweet music. After the wedding the friends and relatives were seated to a dainty luncheon. The colors prevailing were pink and white. The flowers used in decorating the tables and the rooms were smilax, carnations, ferns and palms. The bride was beautiful in a gown of Paris muslin trimmed in lace. She carried bridal roses. Mr. Enos is a business man and the couple will make their home at Summit.

A Runaway Accident.

Mrs. Edward Haddock had a rather exciting runaway accident last night. She had driven her husband down town to his place of business and was returning home. One of the wheels of the buggy came off, the nut which holds it in place having worked off. The loose wheel frightened the horse and he started to run. Mrs. Haddock stayed in the buggy and held the horse but her little daughter, who was with her, jumped out. The buggy struck against a fence post and threw Mrs. Haddock out and ran over her. She was taken in her house and it was found that she was badly bruised about the hips and was unable to walk. It is not thought that her injuries are serious. The buggy was badly broken.

Found the Harness.

Last night a thief entered J. A. Merriweather's barn on West Main street and stole a set of single harness which originally cost \$25. The robbery was reported to Marshal Mason and Officer Bailey found the harness at a second hand store, sold by a stranger for \$1.75. The thief is still at large.

The Coroner's Inquest.

This morning Coroner Bendure held an inquest over the body of the late William White, the colored man who was struck by a P. D. & E. train last Monday and died of his injuries yesterday. The inquest was held at the residence on Clay street. The jury returned a verdict to the effect that the man had met his death by being struck by engine No. 18 of P. D. & E. train No. 2 on June 8. The jury was composed of Dr. H. D. Hull, foreman, Dr. E. B. Walston, I. N. Martin, Wilson Woodford, Isaac Rogan and Col. White.

The Doctors Defeat the Dentists.

The nines composed of doctors of the city played ball yesterday afternoon at the Association park with a nine composed of dentists. The game was easy for the physicians. They beat the dentists by a score of 38 to 3. There were about 500 persons in attendance who enjoyed the sport greatly.

A Solid, Financial Plan.

It is generally believed that the plan in favor of the gold standard the Republican platform will be a plan and unambiguous. When the plan from the east reach St. Louis they find that the close friends of McKinley are ready to offer them a plan that they can agree upon without hesitancy.

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ADDRESS BY MRS. W. T. WELLS.

The Lady Gives a Trip Story to the Briar Missionary Members.

At the meeting of the Briar Missionary society at the Presbyterian College street chapel yesterday after Mrs. W. T. Wells gave a very interesting address on Jerusalem and Palestine, illustrating her remarks by the use of a number of photographs. Mrs. Wells, as is well known, lately returned from an extended tour of Europe. She said in part:

"The city of Jerusalem looks as though it might be 2,000 years old and it seems as though it could not have changed much with the passing years. There is little there to arouse interest or enthusiasm. It is true there are many sacred sights and places, but many of them are of doubtful genuineness. There is no question about Gethsemane, the Mount of Olives and the wall is there to show for itself, as it was 2,000 years ago. The population of the cities are Mohammedans, Jews and a few Armenians.

"The people are indolent and they subsist by selling beans and olives and their principal occupation is begging. They live off of the tourist. They do not say, 'Give me my daily bread,' but 'give me the tourist and I will buy the bread.'

"There is not a newspaper published inside of Jerusalem, and if there was I do not know who would have interest enough to read it. There are no shops, no stores, no saloons and no places of amusement.

"The language of the people is mostly Arabian. The Jews are of the Polish and Russian type and they are fair of countenance and have light hair. They have not the strength of character in their face that marks the Jews we are used to seeing.

"In Beyrout there is an English college, mission and seminary for young ladies under the direction of Dr. Jessup, who has been there since 1835. There is a weekly paper published at this place. This paper is the only newspaper published in Palestine. The mission is a Presbyterian one. The Syrian young ladies who attend the seminary make as good an appearance as do our own High school graduates.

"Two-thirds of the population of Jerusalem is of Jews, one-sixth of Mohammedans."

The mission members served refreshments after the address.

Goodway Mission Dedication.

The Goodway Methodist Mission at the corner of Water and Bradford streets is to be dedicated on Sunday. This is the mission established and built by Rev. James Hobbs of this city. Rev. M. L. Haney, a prominent minister of the Methodist church, has promised to dedicate the building and he will arrive in the city tomorrow afternoon.

Rev. Milton L. Haney will arrive here on Saturday afternoon, June 13, to preach at the Goodway Methodist Mission and dedicate same on Sabbath, June 14, at 3 p. m. This mission is at the corner of Water and Bradford streets. It stands for a vital issue; real conversion and full salvation. Its motto is the old path where is the good way and leads to Gospel and rest. Its business is for God and souls and heaven, on the main line and without any side tracking or compromise.

Base Ball News.

The stout club from Kenney will play at the park on Sunday afternoon in the go against the Decatur club. The Kenney players are the lads who defeated the Springfield club recently and sent them home in sack cloth and ashes. Manager Stookey states that the Sunday game will be one of the best that has yet been played on the home grounds.

This forenoon Justice Hardy gave his decision in the replevin case in which the Decker base ball suits out a figure. The decision was in favor of Mr. Cunningham who had a claim for labor to the amount of \$12.50. The costs run the amount up to \$16. The ten suits will be sold Saturday by Constable Midkiff to satisfy the claim.

It is stated that Manager Stookey has ordered new suits for his men.

The Coroner's Inquest.

This morning Coroner Bendure held an inquest over the body of the late William White, the colored man who was struck by a P. D. & E. train last Monday and died of his injuries yesterday. The inquest was held at the residence on Clay street. The jury returned a verdict to the effect that the man had met his death by being struck by engine No. 18 of P. D. & E. train No. 2 on June 8. The jury was composed of Dr. H. D. Hull, foreman, Dr. E. B. Walston, I. N. Martin, Wilson Woodford, Isaac Rogan and Col. White.

The Doctors Defeat the Dentists.

The nines composed of doctors of the city played ball yesterday afternoon at the Association park with a nine composed of dentists. The game was easy for the physicians. They beat the dentists by a score of 38 to 3. There were about 500 persons in attendance who enjoyed the sport greatly.

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